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SUBJECT: AFRICAN COMMERCIAL OFFICERS CONFERENCE

REF: YAOUNDE 0094

1. COMPLETE CONFERENCE AGENDA WAS CABLED TODAY. SCHEDULE CALLS FOR WELCOMING REMARKS BY AMBASSADOR SPIRO 0830 - 0845 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4. WE HAVE NOT ALLOTTED TIME DURING FORMAL SESSIONS FOR REMARKS BY GURC OFFICIALS SINCE THIS IS NOT A NORMAL PRACTICE. THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT THERE MIGHT BE AN APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY AT A SOCIAL FUNCTION, SUCH AS THE RECEPTION PROPOSED BY THE AMBASSADOR.

2. BECAUSE SO MANY OF THE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ARRIVING TUESDAY EVENING, WE HAVE NOT SCHEDULED AN "ICE BREAKER" RECEPTION. WE HAVE \$500 AVAILABLE, HOWEVER, TO SUPPORT THE AMBASSADOR'S RECEPTION.

3. PROGRAM DOES NOT CALL FOR ANY VISITS TO NEARBY INSTALLATIONS DURING PERIOD OF CONFERENCE AND WE HAVE RECEIVED NO REQUESTS TO SCHEDULE SUCH VISITS EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE CONFERENCE. DOC DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOSTLER
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WOULD BE AVAILABLE ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6 TO ACCOMPANY

AMBASSADOR ON ANY CALLS DEEMED USEFUL BY THE EMBASSY. KISSINGER

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